UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA) NO
v.	ý
WILLIAM BRACE,)
Defendant.)

I N F O R M A T I O N

18 U.S.C. § 666(a)(1)(B) (Corrupt Receipt of Reward for Official Action Concerning Programs Receiving Federal Funds)

THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES:

At all times material to this Information, the Defendant WILLIAM BRACE was a deputy clerk for Luzerne County Pennsylvania, a local governmental agency within the meaning of federal law that received federal assistance in excess of \$10,000 during a one-year period within June 1, 2007.

As an employee of Luzerne County, WILLIAM BRACE exercised discretionary decision-making authority on behalf of Luzerne County and was an agent of Luzerne County. Among other discretionary decision-making activities, WILLIAM BRACE participated in the awarding of contracts on behalf of Luzerne County.

Between on or about June 1, 2007 and on or about May 1, 2008, in the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the Defendant,

WILLIAM BRACE,

did knowingly, intentionally and corruptly accept, and agree to accept a thing of value from another person, namely, a tailor-made suit of a value of less than \$5,000, intending to be rewarded in connection with support WILLIAM BRACE provided to a contractor who

entered into a contract with Luzerne County.

It was part of the offense that WILLIAM BRACE, acting in his capacity as a deputy clerk for Luzerne County, supported the efforts of a contractor who was seeking to enter into contracts with Luzerne County involving a thing of value in excess of \$5,000.

It was further a part of the offense that, after WILLIAM BRACE, while acting in his capacity as a deputy clerk for Luzerne County, supported the particular contractor for the contract, WILLIAM BRACE traveled to New York City where the contractor had WILLIAM BRACE fitted for a tailor-made, monogrammed suit of a value of approximately \$1,500 which was later provided to WILLIAM BRACE to reward WILLIAM BRACE for supporting the contractor's efforts to obtain contracts.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, § 666(a)(1)(B).

Dated: ///2/09

DENNIS C. PEANNENSCHMIDT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY